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SUBJECT: POLES ASSESS HELSINKI CONFERENCE RESULTS

1. FOREIGN AFFAIRS VICE MINISTER EUGENIUSZ KULAGA, WRITING IN TRYBUNA LUDU (JULY 31-AUGUST 1, 1976), SINGLES OUT THE CONFIRMATION OF THE CONCEPT OF "PEACEFUL CO-EXISTENCE" AS THE ESSENCE OF THE "UNPRECEDENTED" AND "PIONEERING" CSCE FINAL ACT. CITING THE CONTRIBUTIONS MADE TO THE CONFERENCE BY THE SOCIALIST STATES AND POLAND IN PARTICULAR, KULAGA NOTES THAT THERE IS STILL A BATTLE GOING ON FOR A "FULL REALIZATION OF THE WHOLE OF THE CSCE DECLARATION", WHICH IS IN ESSENCE A BATTLE FOR "FURTHER DEVELOPMENT OF THE PROCESS OF RELAXATION OF TENSIONS".

2. LOOKING TO THE FUTURE, KULAGA EMPHASIZED BASKET II AND ASSERTS THAT FURTHER DEVELOPMENT IN THE ECONOMIC FIELD SHOULD CONSIST OF FREE DEVELOPMENT OF ECONOMIC CO-OPERATION, WITHOUT BARRIERS OR DISCRIMINATION, LONG TERM

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TRADE AGREEMENTS AND SCIENTIFIC AND TECHNOLOGICAL CO-

OPERATION. SUCH ISSUES WILL BE DISCUSSED AT THE BELGRADE MEETING NEXT YEAR. HE TREATS "THE CULTURAL AND HUMANITARIAN FIELD" MUCH LESS FULLY, NOTING PROGRESS IN ACHIEVING "GREATER EQUILIBRIUM OF CONTACTS" SO THAT POLISH ACHIEVEMENTS COULD BE "MORE AVAILABLE TO OTHER PEOPLES" AND EMPHASIZING THE NEED TO RAISE THE YOUNG GENERATION IN "THE SPIRIT OF PEACE AND FRIENDSHIP".

3. COMMENT: KULAGA, FORMER POLISH AMBASSADOR AT THE UN, BREAKS NO NEW GROUND IN DEALING WITH "BASKET III" QUESTIONS. HE SKIRTS THE ISSUE OF THE FREE EXCHANGE OF IDEAS AND IS INDIRECTLY CRITICAL OF WESTERN EMPHASIS ON BASKET III.
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